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### **Introduction and Reference**

By the Civil Justice Subcommittee; Representative Leek—

HB 7041—A bill to be entitled An act relating to litigation financing consumer protection; creating part VIII of ch. 501, F.S., entitled "Litigation Financing Consumer Protection Act"; creating s. 501.1001, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 501.1002, F.S.; requiring litigation financiers to register with the Department of State before engaging in litigation financing; providing registration requirements; requiring litigation financiers to file a surety bond meeting specified requirements; requiring the department serve notice to such financiers and to revoke such registrations for certain noncompliance; authorizing the department to adopt rules; creating s. 501.1003, F.S.; providing requirements for litigation financing contracts; creating s. 501.1004, F.S.; prohibiting litigation financiers from engaging in specified conduct; creating s. 501.1005, F.S.; providing disclosure requirements for litigation financing contracts; creating s. 501.1006, F.S.; providing for the assignment of contingent rights to civil action or claim proceeds; specifying the priority of liens against or rights to civil action or claim proceeds; creating s. 501.1007, F.S.; authorizing litigation financiers to assess specified interest, fees, and charges; providing requirements for such interest, fees, and charges; prohibiting a litigation financier from assessing specified fees or charges; creating s. 501.1008, F.S.; requiring the disclosure of litigation financing contracts under specified circumstances; creating s. 501.1009, F.S.; providing that specified communications between attorneys and litigation financiers do not effect statutory or common-law privilege; creating s. 501.1011, F.S.; providing that violations of the act are deceptive and unfair trade practices; providing construction; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Judiciary Committee; Representative Gregory-

**HB 7043**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to contingency fees; creating s. 287.05905, F.S.; providing a definition; prohibiting local and regional governmental entities from entering into certain contingency fee contracts with private attorneys or law firms; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

### First Reading of Committee and Subcommittee Substitutes by Publication

By the Public Integrity & Ethics Committee; Representatives Payne and J. Cortes—

CS/HB 491—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the disposition of surplus funds by candidates; amending s. 106.141, F.S.; prohibiting a

candidate from donating surplus funds to a charitable organization that employs the candidate; providing that a candidate may give certain surplus funds to the state or a political subdivision to be disbursed in a specified manner; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Civil Justice Subcommittee; Representatives D. Smith and Ausley—

CS/HB 733—A bill to be entitled An act relating to the Marketable Record Title Act; amending s. 712.03, F.S.; revising rights that are not affected or extinguished by marketable record titles; amending s. 712.04, F.S.; revising what types of interests are extinguished by a marketable record title; providing construction; creating s. 712.065, F.S.; defining the term "discriminatory restriction"; providing that discriminatory restrictions are unlawful, unenforceable, and declared null and void; providing that certain discriminatory restrictions are extinguished and severed from recorded title transactions; specifying that the recording of certain notices does not reimpose or preserve a discriminatory restriction; providing requirements for a parcel owner to remove a discriminatory restriction from a covenant or restriction; amending s. 712.12, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "covenant or restriction"; providing applicability; requiring persons with certain interests in land which may be extinguished by this act to file a specified notice to preserve such interests; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Civil Justice Subcommittee; Representative Gregory—

CS/HB 967—A bill to be entitled An act relating to clerks of the court; amending s. 40.29, F.S.; requiring the Justice Administrative Commission to provide funds to the clerks of court for specified jury-related costs; requiring the clerks of court to submit a request for reimbursement for jury-related costs to the Clerks of Court Operations Corporation within specified timeframes; requiring the Clerks of Court Operations Corporation to review the requests for reimbursement and submit a request to the Justice Administrative Commission; requiring the Justice Administrative Commission to review the amounts for specified purposes and submit a request for payment to the Chief Financial Officer; removing a provision authorizing the Justice Administrative Commission to apportion funds for certain purposes among the counties; providing that the clerks of the court are responsible for certain jury-related costs that exceed funding provided in the General Appropriations Act; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee; Representative Tomkow—

CS/HB 1105—A bill to be entitled An act relating to child welfare; amending s. 25.385, F.S.; requiring the Florida Court Educational Council to establish certain standards for instruction of circuit and county court judges for dependency cases; requiring the council to provide such instruction on a periodic and timely basis; amending s. 39.301, F.S.; requiring the Department of Children and Families to notify the court of certain reports; authorizing the department to file specified petitions under certain circumstances; amending s. 39.522, F.S.; requiring the court to consider specified factors when making certain determinations; requiring a child's case plan to be amended if the court changes the permanency goal; amending s. 39.6011, F.S.; revising and providing requirements for case plan descriptions; amending s. 39.701, F.S.; requiring the court to retain jurisdiction over a child under certain circumstances; requiring specified parties to disclose certain information to the court; providing for certain caregiver recommendations to the court; requiring the court and citizen review panel to determine whether certain parties have developed a productive relationship; creating s. 409.1415, F.S.; providing legislative findings and intent; requiring the department and community-based care lead agencies to develop and support relationships between certain foster families and legal parents of children; providing responsibilities for foster parents, birth parents, the department, communitybased care lead agency staff, and other agency staff; defining the term "excellent parenting"; requiring caregivers employed by residential group homes to meet specified requirements; requiring the department to adopt rules; amending s. 409.145, F.S.; removing certain responsibilities of caregivers, the department, community-based care lead agency staff, and other agency staff; removing requirements relating to transitions, information sharing, and certain caregivers; amending s. 409.988, F.S.; authorizing a lead agency to provide more than 35 percent of all child welfare services under certain conditions; requiring a specified local community alliance, or specified representatives in certain circumstances, to review and recommend approval or denial of the lead agency's request for a specified exemption; amending ss. 39.302, 39.6225, 393.065, and 409.1451, F.S.; conforming cross-references to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

By the Public Integrity & Ethics Committee; Representative Tomkow—

**CS/HB 1111**—A bill to be entitled An act relating to government integrity; creating s. 11.421, F.S.; creating the Florida Integrity Office under the Auditor General; providing definitions; providing duties and powers of the Florida Integrity Officer and the Auditor General; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; providing a definition; providing and revising Auditor General reporting requirements; amending s. 14.32, F.S.; providing definitions; providing investigative duties of the Chief Inspector General and agency inspectors general; requiring such inspectors general to provide a report to the Chief Financial Officer within a specified timeframe in certain circumstances; providing liability for certain officials, contractors, and persons in certain circumstances; amending s. 17.04, F.S.; authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to commence an investigation based on certain complaints or referrals; authorizing state agency employees and state contractors to report certain information to the Chief Financial Officer; amending s. 17.325, F.S.; requiring certain records to be sent to the Florida Integrity Officer within a specified timeframe; amending s. 20.055, F.S.; requiring agency inspectors general to make certain determinations and reports; amending s. 110.1245, F.S.; providing requirements for awards given to employees who report under the Whistleblower's Act; authorizing expenditures for such awards; amending s. 112.3187, F.S.; revising a definition; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 287.057, F.S.; revising provisions relating to contractual services and commodities that are not subject to competitivesolicitation requirements; requiring certain state contracts to include a good faith estimate of gross profit; requiring a determination of reasonableness; providing definitions; prohibiting certain state employees from participating in the negotiation or award of state contracts; creating s. 288.00001, F.S.; prohibiting tax incentives from being awarded or paid to a state contractor or subcontractor; amending s. 1001.20, F.S.; requiring the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Education to conduct investigations relating to waste, fraud, abuse, or mismanagement against a district school board or Florida College System institution; authorizing the Office of the Auditor General to use carryforward funds to fund the Florida Integrity Office; amending ss. 112.3188, 112.3189, and 112.31895, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; providing an effective date.

First reading by publication (Art. III, s. 7, Florida Constitution).

#### Reference

**CS/HB 23**—Referred to the PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee and Education Committee.

CS/CS/HB 391—Referred to the State Affairs Committee.

CS/CS/HB 441—Referred to the Calendar of the House.

CS/HB 491—Referred to the State Affairs Committee.

**CS/HB 883**—Referred to the PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee and Education Committee.

CS/HB 989—Referred to the Calendar of the House.

CS/HB 1185—Referred to the State Affairs Committee.

#### Cosponsors

HB 43—C. Watson

CS/HB 171—Bush

HB 377—Grieco

HB 1343—Ingoglia

HB 3885—Polsky

HB 4645—Polsky

# Reports of Standing Committees and Subcommittees

#### Received January 23:

The Public Integrity & Ethics Committee reported the following favorably:

HB 491 with committee substitute

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.18(c). Under the rule, HB 491 was laid on the table.

The Civil Justice Subcommittee reported the following favorably: HB 733 with committee substitute

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.18(c). Under the rule, HB 733 was laid on the table.

The Civil Justice Subcommittee reported the following favorably: HB 783

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Justice Appropriations Subcommittee.

The Civil Justice Subcommittee reported the following favorably: HB 811

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Insurance & Banking Subcommittee.

The Civil Justice Subcommittee reported the following favorably: HB 967 with committee substitute

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.18(c). Under the rule, HB 967 was laid on the table.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 2651

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3045

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3077

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3703

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3705

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3945

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3957

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3997

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4049

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4213

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4293

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4333

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4335

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4503

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4843

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4851

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4863

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4913

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4935

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Civil Justice Subcommittee reported the following favorably: HB 6507

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9141

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9163

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9181

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9183

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9223

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9235

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

#### Received January 24:

The Judiciary Committee reported the following favorably: CS/HB 103

The above committee substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Judiciary Committee reported the following favorably: CS/HB 211

The above committee substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Judiciary Committee reported the following favorably: HB 469

The above bill was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Judiciary Committee reported the following favorably: CS/HB 505

The above committee substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Judiciary Committee reported the following favorably: CS/HB 567

The above committee substitute was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 1105 with committee substitute

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.18(c). Under the rule, HB 1105 was laid on the table.

The Public Integrity & Ethics Committee reported the following favorably:

HB 1111 with committee substitute

The above committee substitute was transmitted to the Office of the Speaker, subject to referral under Rule 7.18(c). Under the rule, HB 1111 was laid on the table.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3687

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 3791

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4169

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4181

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4279

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 4633

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The Judiciary Committee reported the following favorably: HB 6033

The above bill was placed on the Calendar of the House.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9075

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9173

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9225

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9233

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9239

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

The PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee reported the following favorably:

HB 9241

The above bill was transmitted to the next committee or subcommittee of reference, the Appropriations Committee.

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